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I am a Canadian living in Brussels and I work in computer science. My interest in photography started when I bought my first digital camera in 1999, and now it has become my privileged hobby. My favourite subjects to photograph are nature and the architecture of cities and parks. In this series of photographs, my goal is to show that nature can be tempting, even in black & white or in duotone.

Most of my nature pictures were done in the Cote d'Azur. The great diversity of plants and of insects in this region of France is incredible. It is a real paradise for the photographer. And on a bright day nature becomes a carnival of colours with all these wonderful insects.

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**Small Wild Plant (Above)**

This was taken on the edge of a beach in the Cote d'Azur.



**Daisy (Left)**

From an ordinary bunch of flowers.

**Stenopterus Rufus Rufus (Below)**

This insect is from the Oedemera Nobilis family and the shot was taken in a forest in the Cote d'Azur. My main process consists of converting my digital pictures to black & white using the Chann Mixer. Usually I keep the graphic subjects in black & white and for more delicate or abstract subjects I apply a coloured tint.



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